

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Advisory Panel to the United States Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission

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1. Department or Agency

Department of State

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Advisory Panel to the United States Section of the North Pacific
Anadromous Fish Commission

3b. GSA

Committee No.

1945

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

08/29/2017

6. Expected Renewal Date

08/29/2019

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

P.L. 102-567

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

P.L. 102-567

13. Effective Date

10/29/1992

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this
Fiscal Year

17a. Open 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1 Meetings and Dates

Purpose

U.S. Advisory Panel Meeting

Start

04/27/2018

End

- 04/27/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

Current FY Next FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$6,300.00 \$6,300.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$6,300.00	\$6,300.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.10	0.10

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The goal of the Commission is to establish research needs and enforcement priorities for anadromous stocks and ecologically-related species subject to the Convention for the Conservation of Anadromous Stocks in the North Pacific Ocean. The Advisory Panel to the United States Section of NPAFC advises US Commissioners and involved US agencies with respect to US participation in the activities of the Commission, including the development of policies and negotiating strategies.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

As required by law, membership is balanced geographically between the two states affected by the treaty (Alaska and Washington), and between non-governmental, industry, and tribal interests. The charter provides for Advisory Panel to be composed of: The Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game; The Director of the Washington Department of Fisheries; One representative of the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, designated by the Executive Director of that Commission. None of these 3 appointments have an expiration date in the Charter. There are an additional 5 members from Washington State and the 6 members from Alaska State, these appointments have a term expiration of four years.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

U.S. Advisory Panel Meetings are normally held annually in advance of the NPAFC Annual Meeting, and the meetings therefore are relevant and timely. The Advisory Panel assists in formulating US positions on a variety of issues taken up at the Annual Meeting that are relevant to US interests in fisheries in the North Pacific Ocean. In FY 18, the Panel met on April 27, via open teleconference, with no public participation joining the call

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The U.S. delegation seeks regular input from affected industries, conservation groups, academic organizations, and state agencies on issues in the NPAFC.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

There is no need at this time to close meetings.

21. Remarks

The committee meeting was held on April 27, 2018 for FY18 by teleconference call, organized by the Department of State, Office of Marine Conservation. There are no reports for this committee because U.S. section members obtain input directly from committee meetings. This input is relatively short and directed at specific agenda items for each year's NPAFC meeting. See paragraph 12 of the charter which provides the statutory membership. This committee has designated members, as well as members selected from lists provided by officials over which the Department of State has no control (such as the governors of Alaska and Washington). The annual reports are posted at this website: http://www.npafc.org/new/pub_annualreport.html. The estimated costs for FY18 are \$6,300 for the committee meeting.

Designated Federal Officer

Elana Katz-Mink Mendelson Designated Federal Officer

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Alward, Matthew	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	United Fishermen of Alaska	Representative Member
Bassich, Andrew	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	chairman of local fish and game advisory committee	Representative Member
Blankenship, H. Lee	04/20/2018	04/19/2022	Northwest Marine Technology	Representative Member
Fandrei, Gary	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	Director of Enhancement for United Fishermen of Alaska	Representative Member
Gisclair, Rebecca	04/20/2018	04/19/2022	Ocean Conservancy	Representative Member
Hanson, David	06/12/2009	02/18/2018	Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission	Ex Officio Member
McPhee, Megan	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	Associate Professor of Fisheries, University of Alaska	Representative Member
Neatherlin, Erik	11/12/2012	11/07/2022	Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife	Ex Officio Member
Reed, Glenn	04/20/2018	04/19/2022	Pacific Seafood Processors Association	Representative Member
Ruffner, Robert	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	Kenai Watershed Forum	Representative Member
Seeb, Jim	04/20/2018	04/19/2022	University of Washington	Representative Member
Swanton, Charlie	08/14/2014	02/18/2018	Alaska Department of Fish and Game	Ex Officio Member
White, Jacques	04/20/2018	04/19/2022	Long Live the Kings	Representative Member
Wright, Brooke	11/08/2018	11/07/2022	Fisheries Policy and Outreach Fellow for Alaska Marine Conservation Council's Young Fishing Fellows Program with Tanana Chiefs Conference	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

Narrative Description

The NPAFC Advisory Panel advises the US Section of the NPAFC, the Departments of State and Commerce, and other involved federal agencies, regarding US participation in

NPAFC activities, and the development of policies, positions, and negotiating strategies of the US Section. In particular, it advises the US Section on research needs and priorities for anadromous stocks and ecologically related species in the North Pacific Ocean.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

It is unclear what the costs associated with separate consultations with the types of interests represented on the Advisory Panel would be.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

Number of Recommendations Comments

Since its establishment in 1992, the Panel is estimated to have made an average of one distinct recommendation per year to relevant authorities. Recommendations were conveyed informally through the participation of attending Advisory Panel members on the US delegation to the NPAFC Annual Meetings and on teleconferences prior to the Annual Meetings.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

78%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

All informal recommendations received at the NPAFC Annual Meetings were considered in the development of US negotiating positions and on the teleconferences prior to those meetings.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

17%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Over the life of the Committee, there may have been a small number of recommendations that were impractical at the time or were postponed for consideration at subsequent NPAFC meetings.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

In FY18, feedback was given to any informal recommendations through the regularly held US delegation meetings at the NPAFC Annual Meeting and on the April 27, 2018 teleconference prior to the 2018 Annual Meeting.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities



Reallocated resources



- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Issued new regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact DFO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

N/A